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WASHINGTON

September 23, 1966

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Dear Dick:

The Secretary has asked me to respond to your letter of September 13 proposing a selective reduction in the volume of intelligence passed to [redacted].

We recognize that the flow of intelligence material to [redacted] has grown significantly over the years, and I agree it may have reached unjustifiable proportions. I appreciate your seeking our advice on how best to accomplish a selective reduction in the volume without adversely affecting our other interests in [redacted].

I would like to suggest that you have the appropriate people from the Agency get in touch with the Department's [redacted]

[redacted] and that, together with officers in INR and in other agencies directly involved, they examine the problem in detail and attempt to draw up recommendations for its solution.

The Honorable
Richard Helms, Director,
Central Intelligence Agency.

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State Department review completed

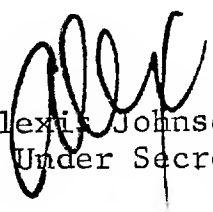
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In the meantime, I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter and of this reply to for his comments.

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Sincerely,


U. Alexis Johnson.
Deputy Under Secretary

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